

**FINAL**  
**Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Summary**  
**and**  
**Rivanna River Basin Commission Meeting Minutes**

January 12, 2010 9:00 am– 1:00 pm  
*Albemarle County Office Building – McIntire Road, Room 241*

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**Technical Advisory Committee:**

Tamara Ambler (RWSA)	John McClain (VDOT)
Sam Austin (USGS, TAC Chair)	John Murphy (StreamWatch)
Roger Black (Fluvanna County)	Gregor Patsch (Albemarle County)
Darren Coffey (Fluvanna County)	Dan Ratzlaff, (Greene County)
Missy Creasy (City of Charlottesville)	Kristel Riddervold (City of Charlottesville)
Joanna Curran (UVA)	Alyson Sappington (TJSWCD, TAC Vice Chair)
Louise Finger (DGIF)	Todd Scalon (UVA) Jeff Sitler (UVA)
Greg Harper (Albemarle County)	Erin Yancey (TJPDC)
Dave Hirschman (CWP)	
Bill Kittrell (The Nature Conservancy)	

**Commission:**

John Martin  
Robbi Savage (RRBC Chair)  
Andy Wilson  
Leslie Middleton (Executive Director)  
Rose Brown (Program Coordinator)

**Guests:**

Matt Benson, Virginia Tech Cooperative Extension  
Bryant Phillips (Fluvanna County)

**1. Introductions**

Sam Austin called the TAC meeting to order and welcomed Matt Benson, the guest facilitator. Because three Commissioners were present, Robbi Savage called the RRBC meeting to order at 9:15am. She welcomed the TAC.

**2. Review and adopt meeting agenda**

Matt Benson reviewed the agenda, and the agenda was accepted.

**3. TAC PowerPoint, facilitated discussion**

Sam Austin reviewed the history of the TAC and summarized the current TAC projects. The TAC then adopted the mission statement:

The role of the RRBC TAC is to provide data, information, and technical advice and input in support of the Commission's directive to *provide guidance and make*

*recommendations to local, state, and federal legislative and administrative bodies regarding the use, stewardship, and enhancement of the Basin's water and other natural resources.<sup>1</sup>*

Alyson Sappington introduced three questions to facilitate the discussion of the TAC's future:

- What are the TAC's external constraints, opportunities and influences?
- How should the TAC support the RRBC and its mission?
- What scientific data and research is needed to help the TAC fulfill its mission?

These were discussed using a facilitated process. A summary of the discussion is in the Planning Meeting Notes.

#### **4. Discussion of Next Steps**

Matt Benson led the TAC through a brief discussion of next steps. The TAC decided that it would continue discussing next steps at the next TAC meeting on 2/16/10. TAC members were asked to think about what Rivanna watershed data each member is "responsible for" and "what do we already know" about the Rivanna. Sam and Alyson will discuss whether facilitation is necessary for the next meeting. The TAC generally agreed that it would revisit prioritization of activities: decide what we know and what we need to know and generate one or more hypotheses that bear further investigation. Collecting this information will help guide the TAC in making recommendations to the full Commission.

#### **5. Adjourn**

Sam Austin adjourned the TAC meeting and Robbi Savage adjourned the official RRBC meeting at 1:11pm noting that no business of the RRBC was conducted during this meeting.

#### **Attachments:**

RRBC\_TAC\_Agenda\_10Jan12  
RRBC\_TAC\_Planning\_Mtg\_Notes\_10Jan12  
09Jul14\_TAC\_summary\_excerpt

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<sup>1</sup> Wording in italics is from the RRBC enabling legislation and Bylaws.